HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 256 By Cochran

A RESOLUTION to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Tennessee Technology Center at Elizabethton.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those educational institutions that are leaders in their respective fields; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Technology Center at Elizabethton is one such estimable institution, deserving of praise for its innovative approaches to education; and

WHEREAS, founded in October of 1965, the Tennessee Technology Center (TTC) at Elizabethton will celebrate its 40th anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, the TTC at Elizabethton awards diplomas for twelve and eighteen month programs in Automotive Technology, Business Systems Technology, Computer Operations Technology, Diesel Powered Equipment, Electricity/Electronics, HVAC/Refrigeration, Millwright Skills, Practical Nursing, and Practical Welding; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Technology Center at Elizabethton is an economical value for Tennessee's students and taxpayers; the TTC at Elizabethton has generated a \$5.76 return on every taxpayer dollar invested in the training facility according to an economic study conducted by the Tennessee State University College of Business; and

WHEREAS, with an entering class of 360 students enrolled in the fall of 2004, the TTC at Elizabethton has educated and prepared thousands of students for their professional careers; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, Tennessee Technology Center at Elizabethton received the Exceptional Training Provider Award for having the highest job placement rate (73.77%) among the 152 Workforce Investment Act training facilities in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly should honor the Tennessee Technology Center at Elizabethton as a model of academic excellence and applaud its laudable achievements in educating the students of Carter, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington counties; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Tennessee Technology Center at Elizabethton and commend its success in teaching this State's citizens gainful professional skills.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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